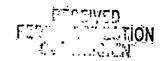


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**MEMORANDUM** 

**TO:** The Commission

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**SUBJECT:** 

MURs 6563/6733 (Aaron Schock)

Pre-Probable Cause Conciliation

On November 19, 2015, the Commission found reason to believe that former Representative Aaron Schock violated 52 U.S.C. § 30125(e) by soliciting excessive contributions for an independent expenditure-only committee from Representative Eric Cantor and the 18th District Republican Central Committee (Federal Account) while he was a federal officeholder. The Commission authorized the Office of the General Counsel to attempt to settle this violation through pre-probable cause conciliation and approved a proposed conciliation agreement. Attached is a revised agreement negotiated with Schock that would resolve the violations. For the reasons discussed below, we recommend that the Commission approve the negotiated agreement and close the file.

See Certification, MURs 6563/6733 (Aaron Schock) (Nov. 23, 2015).

Because we believe that the negotiated agreement is a reasonable compromise, we recommend that the Commission accept the agreement and close the file.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. Accept the attached signed conciliation agreement with Aaron Schock.
- 2. Approve the appropriate letter.
- 3. Close the file.